

NDB Certified in Latest ISO 27001:2022 for Information Security Management

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Kelum Edirisinghe, CEO, NDB (fourth from left) and team from NDB with the award.

National Development Bank is the first Sri Lankan bank to be certified to the latest ISO 27001:2022 for its Information Security Management System (ISMS), reflecting its commitment to upholding global standards and protecting information assets. The certification is an internationally recognized standard for managing information security. Achieving this certification demonstrates NDB's dedication to continuous improvement in securing data and managing information security. NDB's commitment to information security gained recognition at the Information Systems Audit and Control Association (ISACA) with an accolade. NDB was honored with the ISACA award for Best Technology Resilience Company of the Year in the banking category. This recognition also highlights NDB's robust technology infrastructure and ability to withstand and recover from technological disruptions.

In addition to the ISO 27001:2022 certification, NDB has also been certified in ISO 22301 for Business Continuity Management Systems (BCMS). This certification is a testament to NDB's preparedness and resilience in ensuring that business operations continue seamlessly in the face of unexpected disruptions.

Indika Gunawardena, Chief Information Officer (CIO) and VP-IT, NDB said, "Our vision is clear: to protect our information assets at all costs. Achieving ISO 27001:2022 and ISO 22301 certifications is a reflection of our proactive approach to IT security and business continuity. We have invested significantly in advanced security technologies and robust processes to ensure our systems are resilient and our data is secure. Our plan is to further align our service levels to meet international frameworks and obtain two more ISO certifications within the year, namely ISO 20000 for IT Service Management and ISO 27701 for Management of Data Privacy," the CIO stated.

Rasika Sampath, Head, IT Security, NDB attributed these achievements to the bank's forward-thinking leadership. The management's vision and commitment to excellence have driven the bank towards these significant milestones. He further stated, 'In addition to the milestones we have already reached, we have more advanced security solutions and safeguarding measures planned in our roadmap. These measures aim to ensure that NDB remains the most trusted and secure banking partner for all Sri Lankans, locally and globally. With the rapid evolution of technology, cyberspace has become an increasingly vulnerable arena, particularly as hackers with financial motives tend to target financial institutions as lucrative targets. Our customers are well aware of this reality and prefer banking solutions from institutions endorsed by international organizations for their security standards. At NDB, we are committed to staying ahead of these threats and providing our customers with the highest protection for their financial assets.'